

# Quarter Century Wireless Association

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## HOTLINE REPORT



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### APOLOGY TO QCWA

The current issue of the QCWA Journal contains an error. We received a telephone message regarding QCWA's Grand Lady, Elizabeth Zandonini, W3CDQ. The verbal message was reporting the terminal illness of "Liz". The report was misunderstood and as a result we published information that W3CDQ had passed away. The report as printed in the Spring QCWA Journal was incorrect. We apologize to all.

### QCWA OPINION POLL ANNOUNCEMENT

In the Winter, 1988 issue of the QCWA Journal a poll ballot was printed along with a request that members mark the ballot to show their feeling with respect to two propositions:

- (1) Should QCWA modify its procedures to specify that Directors should be elected from specific areas, rather than the present at large system
- (2) Should QCWA modify its eligibility requirements to admit members who were licensed less than 25 years previous to making application for membership.

Ballots have been arriving at Headquarters and have been tabulated in the computer. The Board of Directors have ruled that the date for ending acceptance of poll ballots will be April 15, 1989. We would like to urge each and every member of QCWA to fill out the poll ballot and send it to headquarters. This is your chance to express your desires - upon completion of the poll, results will be tabulated and provided to the Board who will consider the responses and make a report to membership. Until the poll is complete and reviewed by the Board, no report on the balloting will be issued.

### QCWA SUMMER, 1989 GENERAL ELECTION

This year, 1989, is a full General Election - all officers and five directors are to be elected. The spring QCWA Journal carried information on all candidates - make certain that you know of them and what they stand for - and, be certain to watch for the QCWA ballot which will be mailed to your home about May 15 - should arrive at your QTH late May or early June. Watch for it! Canton, Ohio Chapter 23 will be tellers for the election.



### NEW QCWA DUES STRUCTURE ADOPTED

At its McLean, VA, 1988 meeting, the QCWA Board adopted a new membership dues structure. The schedule was printed in the Winter, 1988 QCWA Journal. The primary reason for the change was to establish a dues structure which would permit every member of QCWA receiving at least some QCWA publications. The problem stems from the excessive postage rates into Europe or, the excessively long delivery time if low-cost mailing is used. The new dues schedule, printed below, effective March 1, 1989, is identical for all members of QCWA, U. S. or International. The difference is in the publications provided - it was believed that our International members needed to be provided with at least the Winter issue of volume of the QCWA Journal. This is the most important issue in that it carries the Minutes of the Board meeting, much other information and of course, the rules for the QSO Party. Every member, no matter the location, will receive that issue in a timely fashion. The new dues schedule appears below. One last word, every member of record will receive publications as listed, regardless of whether he paid the new dues or not!

#### QCWA MEMBERSHIP DUES SCHEDULE

Effective 3/01/89

| <u>Term of Membership</u> | <u>Regular Members</u> | <u>Family Members</u> |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Year                    | \$12.00                | -                     |
| 2 Years                   | \$20.00                | -                     |
| 3 Years                   | \$25.00                | \$10.00               |
| Life                      | \$125.00               | \$50.00               |
| LTP*                      | \$135.00<br>(3 @ \$45) | \$60.00<br>(3 @ \$20) |

U. S. Members receive all publications via bulk mailing. Canadian/Mexican members receive all publications via first class mail. International members off the North American Continent will receive the annual Winter Issue of QCWA Journal via airmail.

\*If Life Time Pay program is not completed in one year all funds received are used to extend regular membership at the 3-year term rate.

NEW MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO PAY A ONE-TIME CHARGE OF \$3 AS AN INITIATION FEE, IN ADDITION TO THE SCHEDULE ABOVE.

MEMBERSHIP FEES MUST BE PAYABLE IN U.S. FUNDS ONLY!



### QCWA 1989 NATIONAL CONVENTION

The Spring, 1989 QCWA Journal carries the announcement of the 1989 QCWA National Convention, to be held this year at Baton Rouge, LA, under direction of Baton Rouge Chapter 109. The Convention promises to be a good one -- the location is quite central to the U. S., and y'all are invited to attend. There will be activities for all and until you've eaten good Cajon food you simply haven't lived all of life's great experiences.

We would like to ask you to make your plans to attend and, to register for the Convention - today - . The committees working to make the Convention a memorable experience need your support. Early registration makes planning for events, food, etc., so much easier and tends to guarantee that everything will work right. Register even if you're not absolutely certain you can attend. The cost is nominal and your support will be appreciated - please, move heaven and earth to come to Baton Rouge this fall!

### COMING CHANGES IN THE QCWA JOURNAL

We have from time to time, received notes from some of our old-timers that the type used to print the QCWA Journal was too small. For your information, we use elite type in our computer setup - this is 7-point type just as is being used to print this issue of HLR. Our process, through the years, has been to make up pages 11 x 14 inches which were then reduced to 75% of original to make 8.5 x 11 pages as printed in the journal. This reduces the 7-point type to 5-point type. It is clear, but it is pretty small. It was deemed necessary to use this system in order to make it possible to get an immense amount of info into each issue of the Journal. Well, we've decided to make a change - we will print the summer issue of the QCWA Journal using 6-point type. This will be about a 20% increase in type size and should make reading the Journal a great deal easier. We will be attempting to make the layout more appealing too. Your comments on the Summer QCWA Journal will be appreciated - the Summer issue of the Journal will be published in June, 1989.

### HOW HEADQUARTERS CAN HELP

The QCWA computer database at headquarters contains a great deal of information. One of the most important is the membership status of all active QCWA members. Chapter secretaries often have trouble knowing whether or not his members are paid up members of QCWA, Inc. We can provide this information to him, and often do so. We are happy to provide such a list to any Chapter and, suggest that once it is on hand, that each Chapter Secretary make it a practice to canvas his members, collect dues for QCWA National, as well as local chapter dues, and submit a group payment of dues. Headquarters can, in turn, send new membership cards, certificates, etc., to the Chapter Secretary who is then able to get them into his members hands and, can keep accurate records too. Each member will be saved trouble and expense - a single twenty-five cent stamp can bring dues payments to QCWA National for 10 - 20 or 50 members. In addition, QCWA

National will be saved postage expense too - If you are interested in trying to set up such a plan, drop us a note, we'll work with you to get the basic information in your hands. The reason we like this system is that it is efficient and, it is working for the few Chapters who use it.

#### LATEST MEMBER TO JOIN QCWA

Richard G. Bauman, WA7HRV, who lives at Tohatchi, New Mexico. Richard is Fathr Bauman! He was enrolled March 22, 1989. Richard has hobbies of printing, language studies and, of course, Amateur Radio. Welcome to QCWA Father Bauman - to us, Richard. His membership number is 22,379!

The Hotline Report is sent to Chapter officials and to the Officers of QCWA. Members may obtain the HLR upon payment of \$6 for one year. Write to HQ if interested.



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